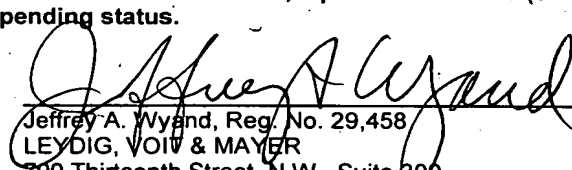


<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>403707/MELCO</b>
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/JP2004/017458</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>November 25, 2004</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>November 28, 2003</b>
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>REFRIGERATOR AND AIR CONDITIONER</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>WAKAMOTO et al.</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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